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Dear Mr. McMullen:

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST

This is in further response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of March 30, 2020 and email of April 3, 2020. You seek a copy of TSGLI records from March 2011 to March 2013, as outlined in your request. Your FOIA request number is 2020-006319 and FOIA correspondence number is 20200346.

You submitted an email on April 3, 2020, regarding our response letter of April 3, 2020. You indicate that TSGLI Program Manager Mary Koontz periodically sent email updates to an email distribution list of Navy medical practitioners which describes gradual changes to the administration of the TSGLI Program. In particular, the email updates provided clarification regarding the TSGLI claims procedure, including claim documentation requirements, claim evaluation procedures, and the responsibilities of Navy medical practitioners regarding the claim application and evaluation process. You seek a copy of these email. Our Survivor Support Entitlements Branch within our Navy Casualty Office conducted a search for the responsive email records. Regretfully, they were unable to locate responsive emails.

If you believe an adequate search of this command's records regarding the sought emails was not conducted, you have the right to appeal this "No Records" determination, in writing, to the Office of the Judge Advocate General, OJAG Code 14, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066. Should you believe the submission of an appeal necessary, it must be received in that office within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter in order to be considered. Please attach a copy of this letter and the original request. Include a statement regarding why you believe this command may possess records responsive to your request. Please mark both the envelope and your appeal letter "FOIA APPEAL."

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No assessable FOIA fees were associated with the processing of your request. I am the official responsible for this "No Records" response regarding responsive email records maintained by this command. Should you wish to discuss this matter, you may contact the undersigned at david.german@navy.mil or (901) 874-3165.

You may also contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil or at (703) 697-0031. In addition, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) provides a voluntary mediation process for resolving disputes between persons making FOIA requests and the Department of the Navy (DON). Their website is below:
<https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information>.

Sincerely,

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By direction